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### MINISTRY OF ENERGY, MINES & PETROLEUM RESOURCES

GOVERNMENT APPROVES - Hon. Anne Edwards, Energy and Mines  
MT. MILLIGAN PROJECT Minister, reports a combined mine  
development and energy project  
certificate has been issued to PLACER DOME INC. (PDG-V,T,M)  
for the Mt. Milligan copper/gold project which could create of jobs in  
northern B.C. The certificate was granted after a provincial and federal  
technical review with extensive public and First Nations' consultation  
and full co-operation from the company. It sets the environmental and

public interest conditions the company must adhere to should the  
project go ahead.

Placer Dome's development schedule is on hold due to market  
conditions. The Mt. Milligan proposal is for a \$440,000,000 capital  
cost, 60,000 tonne-per-day open pit copper/gold project about 90 km  
northeast of Fort St. James. The proposed Rainbow Road, connecting  
the project with the Omineca Access Road and Fort St. James, would be  
the primary transportation route. Ore concentrates would be  
transported to Prince Rupert for shipment to offshore markets.

The mine development certificate includes provision for the  
establishment of a public liaison committee comprised of local public  
and resource interest groups, First Nations, key government agencies  
and the company, to provide ongoing communication opportunities as  
the project is developed. Placer Dome would also participate with the  
Nak'azdli and McLeod Lake Bands in an Aboriginal liaison committee  
to implement the company's commitments that local First Nations  
benefit from the project. The study of Aboriginal communities  
included the McLeod Lake, Nak'azdli, Fraser Lake, Stellaquo and Stony  
Creek Bands and the Tl'azt'en Nation. It included socio-economic  
conditions, employment, labor income, and community impacts. The  
community impact assessment addressed the environmental, trapline  
and related issues identified by the Bands. (SEE GCNL NO.236,  
9Dec93, P.2 FOR OTHER MINISTRY INFORMATION)

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